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May 1, 2017

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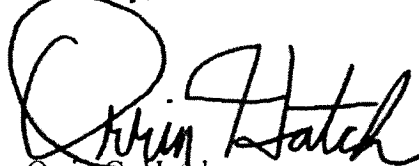
Dear Mr. Lyons:

I have enclosed a copy of correspondence which I received from my constituents, Commissioner Jeff Hadfield, Commissioner Jeff Scott, and Commissioner Stan Summers of Box Elder County, Utah.

I would appreciate your careful review and response to this letter at your earliest convenience. Please fax your response to the attention of Nathan Jackson, at 801-394-4503.

Again, I appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Orrin G. Hatch
United States Senator

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April 5, 2017

The Honorable Orrin Hatch
United States Senate
104 Hart Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Hatch,

We, the elected leaders of our county, are appealing to you for assistance regarding the EPA's PM 2.5 non-attainment regulation; a problem our county has faced since the threat of it in 2009. Now that it has been instigated, we are dealing with its inherent obstacles. Although we live in a rural county with a population of just over 50,000 (totaling 7.5 people per square mile), we have been thrust into the non-attainment category.

Our largest city of approximately 20,000 in population lies 30 minutes from the borders of the larger metropolitan cities along the Wasatch Front. The area breached attainment only 2 days in twelve years, probably no different than when the early settlers fired up their stoves during the heaviest inversion days in the thick of winter, yet these two days are affecting the future growth of industry in our area.

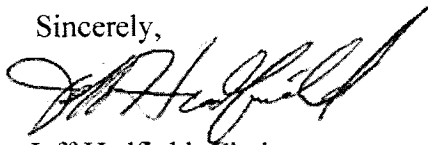
We are primarily an agrarian community and are proud to have a valued work ethic among our people. This has led to important major industries choosing to locate or expand in Box Elder including P&G, Nucor Steel, and Autoliv. P&G, a great partner in our community, and Nucor which is ISO 140001 certified, indicated that had we been under the PM 2.5 regulation when they were looking to locate, they would not have come. This regulation is a serious threat to the growth and economy of our small cities, towns, and unincorporated areas.

The county met with the EPA in conjunction and with the support of the state of Utah DAQ beginning in 2009 providing tangible reason to not designate the county non-attainable as we are

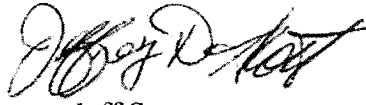
not the primary source of the particulate matter, but a second-hand recipient from the greater Wasatch Front. We took great legal efforts at a large cost to the county to stay the designation, but our efforts fell on deaf ears.

Senator Hatch, we urge you to please contact the EPA on our behalf about this grave problem. We are facing serious, unsustainable growth with this monkey on our backs. We love our county—its mountains, bird refuge, recreational reservoirs, agricultural lands and our great industries that we need to sustain our families and their quality of life.

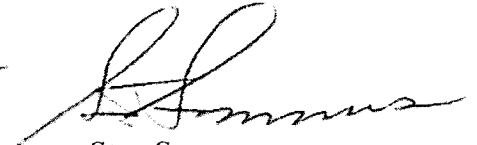
Sincerely,



Jeff Hadfield, Chair
County Commissioner



Jeff Scott
Commissioner



Stan Summers
Commissioner